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MEMORANDUM FOR: Acting Leputy Director (Administration)

SUBJECT: Increase in Ceiling of Office of Communications

- 1. The attached memorandum (Tab A) from the Office of Communications has the concurrence of the Budget Division (Tab B). Classification and Wage Division has concurred orally.
- 2. The Office of Communications requests an increase in ceiling of mine slots in order to permit an increase in the permanent on duty strength of the Signal Center. The T/O slots which are to be filled under the proposed ceiling increase are: Vilida.03, 1144.04, 1144.05, 1144.06, 1137.02, 1137.03, 1137.04, 1137.05, 1137.06. Fadget Division indicates, in Tab B, that funds are available in the Commo operating budgets for both fiscal year 1955 and 1956. Vouchered funds will be used to permit the increase.
- 3. The proposed increase in ceiling for the Signal Center is necessitated by the following factors:
 - a. An increase in cable traffic in the first 10 months of fiscal year 195h of 1,900,000 groups over the same period in FY 1953. This represents a his increase in volume.
 - b. A 16% increase, during the same period, in high precedence cable traffic. High precedence cables require handling by a greater number of Signal Center personnel than more routine cables, since such cables are accorded individual treatment.
 - c. Increased special traffic.
 - d. Increased teleconference activities and increased intelligence dissemination duties.
 - e. Need for additional personnel to fill in for personnel on leave and for personnel rotated overseas.
- k. In order to handle these problems, Signal Center has been required to Graw upon personnel performing other Commo duties, thus eausing problems in other parts of Commo.
- 5. It is recommended that the requested increase in the Office of Communications cailing of nine slots be approved.

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6. Since the expansion of Signal Center is necessitated by a significant increase in cable processing support provided for the Agency, it is recommended that you ask the Director to release the nine personnel ceiling slots from his reserve. For your convenience, we are attaching a memorandum for your signature.



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Chief, Management Staff

ATTACHMENTS:

Tab A - Proposel

Tab 8 . Concurrence of Sudget Siv.

Tra 6 - Memorandum

Deputy (gen. Catell)

The Louise Director has given verbal approval to the increase in the seiling of the Office of Communications by nine (9) positions, from a total of to a total of

Please adjust your records accordingly.

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